

*Whitestown Town Council Meeting  
Whitestown Public Hearing  
June 11, 2013*

**ORIGINAL**

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**Dawn S** calls the June 11, 2013 Public Hearing to order at 6:30 pm. Roll Call: Dawn Semmler, Susan Austin, Julie Whitman, Kevin Russell; present, Eric Miller; absent.

Topic: Whitestown Utility Water Rate Study/ Utility Rates and Charges

Susan Austin –spoke, gave details of the rate study and changes to the rates and charges. Discussion ensues.  
Steve Unger of Bose McKinney and Evans and Andrew Lanham of Reedy Financial also spoke regarding the study.

**Dawn S** asked for public comments.

William Trowsell – 5904 Solomon Harmon Way; asked a question regarding his charges.

Linda Blackburn – 6538 Hunters Ridge North; asked when the new charges become effective.

Susan A responded that they should be in place by August.

Clarence Brabson – 6521 Saddletree Dr; asked a question regarding sewer and hydrant charges – discussion ensues.

Brooke McNeely – 5909 Solomon Harmon Way; asked a question regarding amounts of rate changes.

Abbey Fowlee – 5880 Aldridge Dr; asked a question about her billing and rates – discussion ensues.

Dawn S responded that the utility office would investigate her charges.

John and Allen Lowery – 5779 Weeping Willow Place; asked about the changes in their rates – explanation given.

Greg Aurand – Royal Run; stated he was happy that his rate would be decreasing.

Doris Toney – 7855 S SR 267; questioned meter sizes – explanation given.

Dawn S asked if there were any additional comments or questions.

**Dawn S** m/m to close Public Hearing at 7:07 pm, **Kevin R 2<sup>nd</sup>**, vote 4-0, **motion carried**.

**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING:**

**Dawn S** calls the June 11, 2013 Town Council Meeting to order at 7:07 pm. Roll Call: Dawn Semmler, Susan Austin, Julie Whitman, Kevin Russell; present, Eric Miller; absent. **Pledge**

**Dawn S** asks if there are any Changes to Agenda necessary. **Dawn S** request to table Consent Agenda Item #3 and #5, these are to be placed in the Consent Agenda of the July Town Council Meeting. **Dawn S** request that scheduling an Executive Session be added to New Business Item #3 of tonight's meeting. **Kevin R** request that discussion on HR and Town Manager position vacancies be added to New Business Item #4 of tonight's meeting. **Dawn S** m/m to accept the changes as presented, **Susan A 2<sup>nd</sup>**, vote 4-0, **motion carried**.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- 1) **Signing of Town and Utility Claims for June, 2013.**
- 2) **Approval of Town Council Minutes for May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2013.**
- 4) **Authorize Utility Manager to sign Water/Sewer Service Agreements and IDEM Waste Treatment Plant monthly reporting to IDEM.**

**Susan A** m/m to approve Consent Agenda Items 1) Signing of Town and Utility Claims for June, 2013, 2) Approval of Town Council Minutes for May 14th, 2013, and 4) Authorize Utility Manager to sign Water/Sewer Service Agreements and IDEM Waste Treatment Plant monthly reporting to IDEM., **Julie W 2<sup>nd</sup>**, vote 4-0, **motion carried**.

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## **NEW BUSINESS**

**#1 Consideration of Ordinance regarding Huntington Bank Business Services Proposal for the Town of Whitestown;** Dawn S read Ordinance 2013-08 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA APPROVING A DEPOSITORY FOR TOWN FUNDS. Discussion ensues. Susan A m/m to suspend rules – 2<sup>nd</sup> read by title only, Julie W 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote 4-0, **motion carried.** Dawn S read Ordinance 2013-08 by title only for second reading. Julie W m/m to adopt Ordinance 2013-08, Kevin R 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote 4-0, **motion carried.**

**#2 Consideration of Ordinance regarding Setting Fees for Police Paperwork;** Dawn S read Ordinance 2013-09 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, BOONE COUNTY, INDIANA, CREATING A SCHEDULE OF FEES FOR CERTAIN ACTIVITIES OF TOWN DEPARTMETNS. Police Chief Dennis Anderson spoke regarding details of the ordinance. Discussion ensues. Second reading will be at the July, 2013 Town Council Meeting.

**#3 Added: Scheduling of Executive Session;** Dawn S stated that an Executive Session needs to be scheduled to discuss pending litigation. Meeting scheduled for June 18, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. Dawn S m/m to authorize Bose, McKinney and Evans to file an appearance for the town in this matter, Julie W 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote 4-0, **motion carried.**

**#4 Added: Replacement of Town Manager and Human Resource Manager;** Discussion ensues. Kevin R questioned outsourcing the human resource responsibilities. Johnetta to check with Paycor and report back to council before July meeting on their options. Discussion ensues regarding Town Manager position. No decisions made.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**#1 Consideration and Second and Final reading of Ordinance 2013-07 regarding Town Water Utility Rates and Charges;** Susan A m/m to suspend rules and read by title only, Kevin R 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote 4-0, **motion carried.** Dawn S read Ordinance 2013-07 – AN ORDINANCE AMEDNING AND RESTATING THE RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE USE OF AND SERVICES RENDERED BY THE WATERWORKS SYSTEM OF THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA by title. Susan A m/m to adopt Ordinance 2013-07, Julie W 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote 4-0, **motion carried.**

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Marvin Trent – 7 N. Main Street; questioned a flooding issue on his street. Jason Lawson, Utility Manger will investigate.

## **UPDATES:**

**Utility Manager:** Jason gave a brief overview of his department; Water Quality reports were delivered to IDEM and Boone County ahead of deadline. Requested Dawn S sign for the Booster Station Meter.


**Dan Custshaw** of GRW gave an update on the new Booster Station. The Booster Station will be delivered on July 16, 2013. The tank will be delivered by August. Perry Worth Road Project; area has been surveyed and design process to begin within the month.

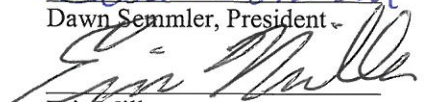
**Police Department:** Chief Dennis Anderson gave an update on NNO plans. The event is scheduled for August 6, 2013.

**Parks Department:** Council President Dawn Semmler read an email from Parks Board President Nathan Messer announcing that Whitestown has been awarded the following Grants: \$20,000 from Indiana Heritage Trust and \$197,000 from Bicentennial Nature Trust. Matched with land donation a total value of just over \$410,000 in land acquisition that won't cost the town anything. Once the paperwork is processed we can begin acquisition and then construction. Funds are secured and the Farm Heritage Trail portion thru Whitestown WILL happen.

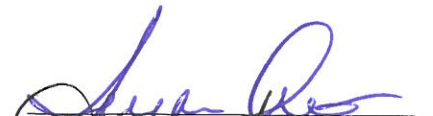
Dawn S m/m to close Whitestown Town Council meeting at 7:53 p.m.; Julie W 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote 5-0, motion carried.

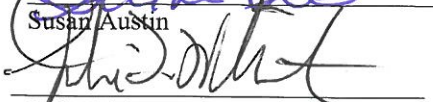
The minutes from a Public Hearing and a Regular Town Council meeting on June 11, 2013 are approved on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2013 by the following Town Council Members


  
Dawn Semmler, President

  
Eric Miller

  
Kevin Russell

  
Susan Austin

  
Julie Whitman

ATTEST  
  
Amanda Andrews, Clerk Treasurer

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